#### 2006 Youthbuild NOFA

Office of Rural Housing and Economic Development

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

#### **Funding**

\$46 million available in 3 categories

#### PROGRAM PURPOSE

- Assists disadvantaged, at risk young adults in distressed communities in completing high school education
- Provides on-site construction training experiences
- Fosters leadership skills

# PROGRAM PURPOSE (cont'd)

- Promotes economic self-sufficiency
- Expands the supply of affordable housing for homeless, and lowand very low-income persons

#### Youthbuild Components

#### Basic Components:

- Educational & Job Training Services
- Foster Leadership Skills
- On-Site Construction Training

#### Optional Components:

- Entrepreneurial Training
- Driver's Education

#### Eligible Applicants



Private, Non-Profit
Organizations (e.g. CDC's,
Community Action Agencies)



Public Non-Profit Organizations



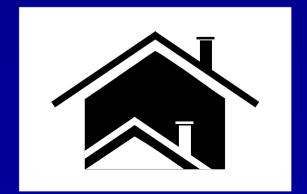
Government Agencies
(including units of local
government and local housing
authorities)

# Eligible Applicants (cont'd)

- Any entity eligible to provide education and employment training under other federal employment training programs defined at 24 CFR Part 585.4 (HUD's Youthbuild regulation, under "definitions")
- Indian tribes

#### Eligible Activities

- Lease, Acquisition, Rehabilitation or Construction of housing for training sites
- Relocation Payments
- Training and TA Needs
- Education, Job Training, Counseling,
   Employment Services, Leadership
   Development
- Wages, Benefits, Stipends
- Administrative Costs



#### Eligible Participants

 Very low-income high school dropouts between the ages of 16 and 24

Up to 25% may be above very-low income or be high school graduates, but have special educational needs

#### Category 1 (4.8 million)

 New applicants only (have not received a prior implementation grant)

\$400,000 maximum

30 months

# Category 2 (\$37.2 million)

Any applicant can apply in this category

\$700,000 maximum grant

30 months

# Category 3 (\$3.9 million)

 Must meet the definition of Rural and Underserved

\$400,000 maximum grant

30 months

# Application Submission Date

- June 9, 2006
- Must be received by Grants.gov no later than 11:59:59 pm Eastern time

## Electronic Submission Requirements

- Must be submitted electronically using <u>www.grants.gov</u>
- Waiver of electronic submission requirements discussed in General Section
- Applicants that requested and received a waiver must submit paper copy by U.S.
   Postal Service no later than 11:59:59
   pm Eastern time on June 9,2006

# Electronic Submission Requirements (cont'd)

- For technical submission requirements, call Grants.gov help desk at 800-518-Grants or e-mail
- Support@grants.gov

#### Threshold Requirements

- Minimum score of 75 points needed to be considered for funding, along with at least 10 points in Rating Factor 1, Capacity of the Applicant
- Prior Youthbuild grant, execution date is greater than 24 months old, and have not drawn down at least 50% by June 9, not eligible for FY 06 award

#### The 5 Rating Factors

- #1: Capacity of Applicant and Relevant Organizational Experience
- #2: Need/Extent of the Problem
- #3: Soundness of Approach
- #4: Leveraging Non-Housing
  - Resources
- #5: Achieving Results & Program Evaluation

#### Youthbuild Program Contacts

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- Capacity of Applicant and Relevant Organizational Experience (20 points, minimum 10 points needed)
  - Team member composition and experience (5 points)
  - Organization structure (5 points)
  - Achievement of Performance Outcomes (10 points)

## Need/Extent of the Problem (21 points)

- Poverty (5 points)
- Unemployment (5 points)
- high school dropouts, using status rate for high school drop-outs (8 points)
- Social and/or economic decline (3 points)

## Soundness of Approach (36 points)

- Coordination of elements (5 points)
  - Coordination of activities (2 points)
  - Self-sufficiency) (1 point)
  - Sustainability (2 points)

#### Rating Factor 3 (cont'd)

- Youthbuild Program Work Plan
  - Program Components (15 points)
    - Outreach strategy
    - Educational and job training services/activities
    - Leadership development
    - Support services
    - Follow-up assistance and support to graduates
    - On-site training
       Strategy for Job Placement (2 points)

# Rating Factor #3 (cont'd)

#### Housing Priority Points (10 points)

- Acquisition costs, architectural and engineering fees, construction and rehabilitation must be paid from non-Youthbuild grant funds to get the points
- Firm commitments must be provided, if cash, need a financial statement to support it

#### Rating Factor 3 (cont'd)

- Policy Priorities (4 points)
  - Defined in the General Section of SuperNOFA
  - Ending chronic homelessness (1 point)
  - Removal of regulatory barriers need to complete Form 27300 (2 points)
  - Participation in Energy Star (1 point)

### Leveraging of Non-Housing Resources (10 points)

- Level of non-housing resources to augment Youthbuild grant funds will be evaluated
- Firm commitments must be provided
- Amount in letter must match amount on 4B Form



- Achieving Results and Program Evaluation (12 points)
- Benchmarks of activities or products must be identified
- Performance indicators must be quantified
- Measure actual achievements against anticipated achievements
- Address this factor in narrative as well as complete the Logic Model form

# RC/EZ/EC-Round II BONUS POINTS

(2 points)

Certification that Youthbuild activities:

- are consistent with Strategic Plan
- will serve RC/EZ/EC-Round II residents
- be located in the RC/EZ/EC-Round II area

Obtain current list at:

http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/

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